

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT		1. CONTRACT ID CODE	PAGE OF PAGES
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8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., street, county, State and ZIP Code)		(✓)	9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO. PR-HQ-02-10028
		✓	9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) 02/01/02
			10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.
			10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)
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11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS

☒ The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers ☐ is extended, ☒ is not extended. Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods:

(a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning 1 copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.

12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)**13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS, IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.**

(✓)	A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A
	B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).
	C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:
	D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)

E. IMPORTANT: Contractor ☐ is not, ☐ is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.

14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)

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Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)		16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print) THOMAS A. VALENTINO	
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR (Signature of person authorized to sign)	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA (Signature of Contracting Officer)	16C. DATE SIGNED

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AMENDMENTS TO THE SOLICITATION

The purpose of this amendment is to change two clauses.

EVERY POTENTIAL BIDDER IS ADVISED THAT IT MUST ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF AMENDMENTS 0002 AND 0003 BY SIGNING AND RETURNING THEM TO THIS OFFICE BEFORE BID OPENING. SIGNED AMENDMENTS SHOULD BE FAXED TO THOMAS VALENTINO OR CHARLES CLEMONS AT 202-565-2557 OR 202-565-2558.

The bid opening is still scheduled to be held on 19 March 2002 at 1:00 P.M. local time, in the New York Conference Room on the 6th floor of the Ronald Reagan Building, Washington DC.

1. *The Section G clause entitled "ORDERING - MULTIPLE AWARDS FOR THE SAME SERVICES" has been modified. The text is as follows:*

In order to determine which samples will be scheduled with the contractor under this multiple award contract, the following factors will be considered:

1. Performance History under this contract.

Contractor performance data history is used to calculate a Performance Scheduling Algorithm (PSA) score. The PSA factors include: initial assessment, data turnaround time (late/early), Contract Compliance Screening (CCS) initial completeness and compliance, CCS resubmitted completeness and compliance, submission of Sample Delivery Group (SDG) cover sheet/traffic reports (late/early) and Quarterly Blind performance evaluation scores. The Government uses an objective Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) which includes the use of the PSA and sample price to assign and schedule samples based on the Contractor's individual PSA score and sample price.

Other non-PSA factors that may impact the number of Contractor samples scheduled include: available funding, capacity, late data, Project Officer (PO) Hold (e.g., a failed Quarterly Blind performance evaluation sample, or other major performance issues), Regional requests or requests for Modified Analyses, data validation; timeliness; on-site audits; special investigations; data tape audits; cancelled cases, and incidences of re-work required from the Contractor. Contractors that demonstrate consistent high quality, timely service will be given the highest priority for award of task orders.

2. Price.

Contractor performance and sample price are considered when determining sample scheduling, until individual capacity limits are reached.

3. Contract Minimums.

When necessary the Government may elect to award task orders in order to meet stated minimums.

4. Ordering Procedure

Step 1:

- Contractors' performance data is collected for every deliverable under the contract.
- Performance data is evaluated monthly, and based upon a rolling average of the prior three months.
- Based upon the prior three months performance data, contractors are evaluated as either "good", "marginal", or "unacceptable".

Step 2:

Once a performance category is assigned, price becomes a factor, although less important than contractor performance history.

Step 3:

Based on each contractor's composite score (consisting of contractor performance history and price), contractors are ranked.

Step 4:

Samples are scheduled to be shipped to contractors, starting with the highest-ranked to the lowest-ranked.

2. *The Section H clause entitled "MODIFIED ANALYSIS" has been modified. The text is as follows:*

(A) The Contractor may be requested by USEPA to perform modified analyses. These modifications will be within the scope of the ILM05.2 SOW and may include, but are not limited to, confirmation of ICP-AES analysis by GFAA or ICP-MS, analysis of additional analytes and/or lower quantitation limits. These requests will be made by the Regional CLP Project Officer (CLP PO), OERR Analytical Operations/Data Quality Center (AOC) Inorganic Program Manager, or Contracting Officer (CO), in writing, prior to sample scheduling. All contract and SOW requirements will remain in effect unless the Contracting Officer provides written approval for the modification(s). The Contracting Officer approval must be obtained prior to sample analyses.

(B) As discussed in the Section F clause DETERMINATION AND ASSESSMENT OF INCENTIVES/SANCTIONS, exceptional performing contractors will be given first opportunity to accept samples for analysis under the MODIFIED ANALYSIS clause. If no exceptional performing contractor is awarded the subject modified analysis work, all other "good" contractors (as defined in the Section G clause ORDERING - MULTIPLE AWARDS FOR THE SAME SERVICES) will be given the opportunity to compete for the subject work. If no "good" contractor is awarded the subject modified analysis work, all "marginal" contractors (as defined in the Section G clause ORDERING - MULTIPLE AWARDS FOR THE SAME SERVICES) will be given the opportunity to compete for the subject work. Contractors who are on Project Officer hold or Contracting Officer hold cannot compete for the subject work.

(C) In order to determine which solicited contractor will be awarded the subject modified analysis work, price is the only factor that will be

considered.

(D) Participation in the modified analysis bidding process is voluntary; contractors are not obligated to submit a bid.

(E) It is anticipated that all modified analysis requirements will be competed. The Government may issue non-competitive orders when circumstances as described in FAR 16.505(b)(2) "Exceptions to the Fair Opportunity Process" are present.

(F) The competitive process for modified analysis shall be:

1. The Contracting Officer will send a Request for Quote (RFQ) to all exceptional performing contractors (or, if not awarded to an exceptional performing contractor, to "good" or "marginal" contractors as described in section (B) above). The RFQ will contain the Statement of Requirements and due date for quotes (generally two (2) working days after RFQ issuance, but subject to change if an emergency situation exists), via electronic mail.

2. Each solicited contractor may submit a price quote. Price quote submission is voluntary. If a contractor submits a price quote, it must be fixed price. A contractor may propose the same price(s) as provided in its contract, or may modify its price(s) upward or downward.

3. Award will be made to the contractor offering the lowest price, subject to a price reasonableness determination.